

**E. PALESTINE VILLAGE COUNCIL 08/14/17 7PM 85 N. MARKET ST.**

Mayor Zuch called the meeting to order. Present was Mr. Cohen, Mr. Elzer, Mr. Todd, Mr. Tyger, Mr. Walker and Mr. Yokley. Also present was Finance Director Traci Thompson, Law Director Dave Powers and Clerk Misti Martin. The minutes of the 7/24/17 Regular Meeting and the minutes of the 8/2/17 Special meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Walker seconded by Mr. Cohen. All in favor. The Department Reports for July 2017 were approved on a motion by Mr. Elzer seconded by Mr. Walker. All in favor. There were no Agenda items, Clerks, Mayors or Managers (Manager Monteleone was absent) reports.

**LAW DIRECTOR:** Attorney Powers stated we have received a CRA (tax abatement) application. He said he is working on it with the Manager and it will require a CRA meeting to review the application. He said Council received a report from the state auditors and other than a few minor corrections there were no findings

**STREET:** Mr. Walker stated the sealant that was originally supposed to be put on Wood St. this Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> will now be put on Garfield Avenue instead. He stated the gas company had to repair a broken line and the road will not be repaired in time to do the sealant.

**S/P/R/C:** In reference to the Special Council meeting on 8/2/17 Mr. Cohen stated the interviewed four applicants for the Chief of Police position, and with the support of Council Monteleone selected Office Jim Brown as the new Chief of Police. Officer Brown will be sworn in at meeting on September 25, 2017. Mr. Cohen stated we received an application for a new liquor license for the new Prohibitions Bar & Grill (former Shamrock). Mr. Cohen stated he spoke with Chief Dickey and he has no objections to the license. Mr. Cohen made a motion to approve the liquor application seconded by Mr. Elzer. All in favor. Mr. Cohen stated the new blacktop at the Park looks great and is a 100% improvement. At this point audience member John Herbert stated that the geese are back at the park, at least 40 or 50, and are making messes where the kids are practicing football.

**DEVELOPMENT: NO REPORT**

**UTILITY:** Mr. Todd stated he, Manager Monteleone, Mr. Cohen and WW Superintendent John Jurjavic met and went over the wastewater contract with MS Consultants, and they requested a few minor changes but feel we will be able to begin soon.

**FINANCE:** Mr. Tyger thanked Finance Director Traci Thompson for a good audit review this year.

**THERE WERE NO VISITORS COMMENTS ON CURRENT LEGISLATION**

**VISITORS:** John & Dot Herbert, John Simon, Dianna Elzer, Chief Josh Brown, John Martin, Rick & Karen Gorby, Chief Kevin Dickey, Jim Brown, John Davis, Mary Anne Tyger, and Katie White.

**LEGISLATION:** Mr. Cohen made a motion to amend the agenda to add Ord. 23-2017, seconded by Mr. Walker. All in favor. Mr. Yokley introduced Ord. 22-2017 and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance authorizing the finance Director to make supplemental appropriations for the Village of East Palestine, Ohio for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2017.** Mr. Yokley introduced Ord. 23-2017 for a first reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance declaring certain village property unneeded obsolete or unfit for municipal purposes and authorizing the sale of such property.**

**ADJOURN:** Mr. Walker made a motion to adjourn seconded by Mr. Cohen. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

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